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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Mariceli Santiago	2879	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 July 2005.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 26-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 26-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 10 July 2003 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____ | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The Amendment, filed on July 3, 2005, has been entered and acknowledged by the Examiner.

Cancellation of claims 1-25 has been entered.

Claims 26-32 are pending in the instant application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 26-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fujii et al. (JP 08-288069 A).

Regarding claim 26, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device (Fig. 1) comprising an anode (2) formed of a positive charge carrier injecting material, a cathode (6) formed of a negative charge carrier injecting material, a light emissive layer (5) located between the anode and cathode, and an unpatterned dielectric layer (4) located between the light emissive layer and the anode.

Regarding claim 27, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device wherein the thickness of the dielectric layer is between 10 and 500Å (Paragraph [0017]).

Regarding claim 28, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device (Fig. 1) comprising an anode (2) formed of a positive charge carrier injecting material, a cathode (6) formed of a negative charge carrier injecting material, a light emissive layer (5) located between

the anode and cathode, and an layer (4) of amorphous silicon located between the light emissive layer and the anode (Paragraph [0011]).

Regarding claim 29, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device wherein the thickness of the amorphous silicon layer is between 10 and 500Å (Paragraph [0027]).

Regarding claim 30, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device (Fig. 1) comprising an anode (2) formed of a positive charge carrier injecting material, a cathode (6) formed of a negative charge carrier injecting material, a light emissive layer (5) located between the anode and cathode, and located between the light emissive layer and the anode, a layer (4) consisting essentially of conductive oxide selected from the group consisting of tin oxide, zinc oxide, vanadium oxide, molybdenum oxide and nickel oxide (Paragraph [0011]).

Regarding claim 31, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device wherein the thickness of the conductive oxide layer is between 10 and 500Å (Paragraph [0027]).

Regarding claim 32, Fujii discloses an organic electroluminescent device comprising an anode (2) formed of a positive charge carrier injecting material, a cathode (6) formed of a negative charge carrier injecting material, a light emissive layer (5) located between the anode and cathode, and a dielectric layer (4) located between the light emissive layer and the anode, wherein, in use, charge carriers are injected from the anode into the light emissive layer via the dielectric layer.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 26-30 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mariceli Santiago whose telephone number is (571) 272-2464. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel, can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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